

ANNIE SCHIFIRLI.

APRIL 1, 1896.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BAKER, of Kansas, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 7821.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4496) granting a pension to Annie Schifirli, beg leave to submit the following report:

John E. Schifirli served in Company M, First United States Reserve Corps Missouri Volunteer Infantry, from May 22, 1861, to August 20, 1861, when he was honorably discharged.

The widow is now pensioned at \$8, under act of June 27, 1890. She was married in 1842 to the soldier, who died in the county infirmary February 22, 1885. The widow is shown to be totally blind, and so helpless as to require the regular aid and attendance of another person; that she is totally destitute, and is supported by a son-in-law. In view of her helplessness and destitution, it is recommended that the bill do pass after being amended by striking out all after the title and substituting the following:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to place on the pension roll the name of Annie Schifirli, widow of John E. Schifirli, late private Company M, First Regiment United States Reserve Corps Missouri Volunteer Infantry, and to pay her a pension at the rate of twenty dollars a month, subject to the provisions and limitations of the general pension laws.

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